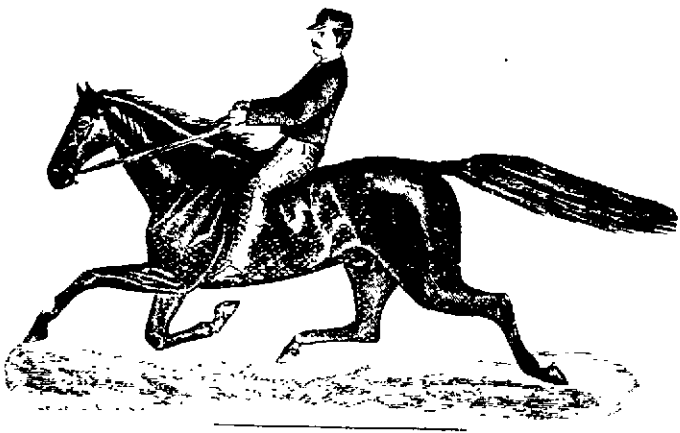


## SPRING + AND + SUMMER CLOTHING!



### RACE CLOTHING MANUF'G CO., Are Receiving NEW SPRING GOODS Daily.

Men's Spring Suits, in Black Cheviots, Gray Worsteds and Fancy Cassimeres, from \$8 to \$25; Latest Styles, Tailor Made.

Men's Spring Pants, in Stripes, Checks and Dress Pants. Our \$3 All-Wool Pants are the Cheapest ever offered to the people of Decatur.

Boys' Spring Suits. We make the Lowest Prices and show the Largest Stock.

Our \$1.50 Child's Suits are Less than Manufacturers' Prices.

Spring Styles in HATS—We always carry the Leaders. Straw Hat Novelties, in the Imported and Domestic Brills; Colors, Black, White and Fancies.

The Spring Style of YOUNG'S HATS is the Correct Derby.

OUR FURNISHING GOODS DEPARTMENT is chock full of all the Latest Novelties in Spring and Summer Ties and Underwear. We are the only House that carries the Dayton White Shirt. For fit and wear it is the Best Shirt on Earth.

MERCHANT TAILORING DEPARTMENT.  
We Make Suits to Order in the Latest Styles and at the Lowest Prices consistent with good work.

RACE CLOTHING MANUF'G CO.,  
129 and 135 North Water Street.  
TELEPHONE 91.

## To the Trade.

H. MUELLER & SONS, 138 Merchant St.,  
Beg leave to call the attention of the dealers in Decatur and the surrounding towns to the fact that they have a complete line of

## FIREWORKS, FLAGS, LANTERNS,

Everything for 4th of July Displays,  
Which they bought in great quantities at first hands for spot cash. Consequently we own these goods at a figure which enables us to

GUARANTEE PRICES AGAINST CHICAGO OR ST. LOUIS.

We therefore submit that it will pay you to buy of us. It is more convenient for you, and you can place supplementary orders in time. Come and see us when you come to Decatur, or mail your orders soon, when you can make the best selection. Don't be afraid to order. We have what you want and the prices are right.

H. MUELLER & SONS,  
138 Merchant St., Decatur.

Wholesale and Retail: Bicycles, Guns and Sporting Goods of All Kinds.

## GET THERE WITH BOTH FEET!

and have them shod in the best style if you can spare the necessary cash. If you can't spare much you can get shod at a price to suit your purse at the great FERRISS & LAPHAM SHOE STORE. With the advent of hot weather the industry of the trades to decline, but we are determined that our sales shall be larger than in the month of June of any previous year, therefore we are going to offer some very

### TEMPTING BARGAINS.

The following list of prices will show: We have Ladies' Russel Oxfords at 75c per pair, and they are very cheap at the figure.

Ladies' Dongola Oxfords, patent leather tips, at 85c; you can't wear much match them for anything like the money. Ladies' Dongola Button shoes at \$1. You can't buy the same goods anywhere else for \$1.50. Shoes offered elsewhere at \$1.50 are not so good.

Ladies' hand-sewed shoes at \$2.50. A still better grade of the same at \$3. We have this \$3 shoe in all widths and styles. You may pay considerable more money and not get so good a shoe.

Ladies' Leather Shoes, in Congress and Lace, at \$1.25—they cost elsewhere \$1.50 and \$1.75.

Men's Calf Shoes, in Congress and Lace, at \$2.50 and \$3. Other dealers will charge you from 50 cents to \$1 more per pair for the same grade of shoe.

Men's hand-sewed shoes, in Congress and Lace, at \$3.50. They will cost you \$5 elsewhere.

Men's fine hand-sewed shoes at \$5. They are in lace and Congress, and are really a fine dress shoe, stylish and made of first-class material. Buy pair and you'll duplicate them when you want another pair of shoes. We are still agents for the celebrated Burt & Mears hand-sewed shoes. We have them in all styles, all sizes and all widths. We confidently assert that they are the best fitting and most serviceable shoes ever sold in Decatur.

No matter what you want in the line of shoes, the place to buy them is at

The Ferriss & Lapham Shoe Store,  
148 East Main Street, Decatur, Illinois.

## FIRECRACKERS!

WOOD'S.

### LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

#### HONORS TO THE SONS OF VETS

Band Welcome Home to Captain Cassell and Camp 14.

Col. J. C. Pugh, Camp No. 14, Sons of Veterans, in command of Captain Frank Cassell, returned home from the Division Encampment at Jacksonville, last evening, the winners of second money in class A in the prize-drilling contest. The Camp was met at the depot by Goddard's Band, members of the Grand Army Post, members of the Camp who remained at home, and citizens generally, who gave the visitors a cordial instrumental and vocal welcome. Captain Martin, of Post 141, and other veterans had planned the surprise for the victors and it was entirely successful and agreeable. The band and members of the Camp took the Short Line cars by courtesy of Manager Martin and rode up to William street, where all disembarked, formed into line and marched east on William to Water, south to Prairie, west to Merchant street, south and around Lincoln Square to East Main, on to Water and South to home of the Camp in Grand Army hall where the Post flag floated from the staff in honor of the signal achievement of the sons of the proud veterans. On the march Captain Cassell put the Camp through all possible evolutions and along the route were heard many expressions of admiration on the military bearing of the young men. They bore their regulation guns, and each was tipped with a bow of red ribbon, and the words of Captain Cassell and Lieutenants Brown and Martin were decorated with the ribbon.

It was a bronzed, tired, but proud drill squad that marched into the hall, but they didn't stay long. They had been away from the comforts of home for nearly a week, and as quickly as possible they broke ranks and hit out for the fireside where they found the home welcome which exceeds in individual appreciation all honors of the populace.

Decatur Camp did itself proud at Jacksonville. The Reception is proud of it, and feels confident that in the next contest Camp 14 will be able to discount Springfield and take first money and everything else in sight.

CAPITAL PRIZE.  
Speaking of the contest the Springfield News of last evening printed the following:

"Once more our boys have been victorious. They have won first prize in the competitive drill, and they drilled against 'Goesen worthy of their steel.' Camp No. 14, of Decatur, is commanded by Captain Cassell, a thoroughly military man, and his company was made up of a bunch of sturdy, well-drilled boys, and it cannot be said that Camp No. 4 had a walk-away. Camp No. 25, of Peoria, in September, and were in good shape to give our boys a lively hustle. However, No. 1 went into the drill sanguine of success and every man did his best.

Improvement, the Promise of Cure.  
No array of words can give a dyspeptic one-half the hope that comes from the relief which always follows the use of Burdock Blood Bitters, and the promise of cure is never broken.

"Having suffered from dyspepsia for two or three years, I decided to try B. B. B. and after taking one bottle I found myself so much better I got another bottle, and after taking that I had no more of medicine."

"Don't pay for daily bread and then green with dyspepsia, when a bottle of B. B. B. will give you relief. Repeated tests with uniform success prove that dyspepsia cannot withstand B. B. B."

"I have taken the second bottle of Burdock's Blood Bitters, and this cures my dyspepsia, with which I suffered for six years."

"W. W. HAMILTON, Look Haven, Pa."

Coal—Cash.  
On and after July 1, 90, all orders for coal delivered in the city will be sent out strictly for cash. If not paid at the office when ordered the transporter will collect on delivery of the coal.

THE DECATUR COAL CO.

The largest stock, greatest variety and handsomest goods can at all times be found at LINS & SCENOGAS.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

WOOD PUMPS, CHURN PUMPS, Iron Force Pumps, for sale at Spencer & Latham's.



ROYAL BAKING POWDER

A cream of tartar baking powder. Highest quality in baking strength.

EVERY TWO AND A HALF MINUTES.

The blood makes a current of the body every 2 1/2 minutes, delivering nutrient and taking back waste matter to be filtered out by the liver and kidneys and removed from the body through the bowels and the urinary secretion. Any stoppage or obstruction of this process may produce various forms of disease, such as Dyspepsia, Biliousness, Constipation, Headache, Dizziness, and bad blood with its multiplied evils (boils, blotches, pimples, sores, eruptions, abscesses, and the like). When such obstructions exist as evidenced by the presence of complaints similar to those just mentioned, the best medicine to use is Burdock Blood Bitters, which unlocks the secretions, removing all impure and corrupt matter through the proper channels, and effecting the healthy action of the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels. B. B. B. removes all impurities of the blood from a common people to the worst scrofulous sore.

#### The Salvation Army in Chicago.

Sunday morning a gentleman and his wife, who had been staying over night at the house of a North Side friend, called one of Mr. Yerkes' cable trains for home, and were astonished to find a section of the Salvation Army in possession of the car they entered. The salvationists, who were all elderly people, were singing songs and praising the Lord in their own peculiar way. The gentleman had purchased a Sunday paper, and, handing his wife the advertising supplement, he proceeded to scan the news. Suddenly one of the elderly salvationists, who wore a sordid paint brush on his chin, plunged into a seat beside him and started him with the remark: "Do you know, my brother, that that is an instrument of Satan?" at the same time pointing at the paper. The gentleman shook his head and went on reading. Then an elderly sister tried to call him away from his Sunday reading, and then a platoon of the army assaulted him for the same purpose. Finally, in spite of his wife's protests, he arose and declared himself. "Look here," he said, "I've read the Sunday papers for two years and I don't intend to be stopped now. If you don't leave me alone I'll lick the lot of you!" Whereupon the salvationists deserted the gentleman.—Chicago Herald.

#### Williams' Australian Herb Pills.

If you are yellow, bilious, constipated, with headache, bad breath, drowsy, no appetite, look out, your liver is out of order. One box of these Pills will drive all the trouble away and make a new being of you. Price, 25 cents. John A. Swearingen, agent.

OVER \$1,000,000 for the New Churches.  
Between Jan. 1, 1888, and Jan. 1, 1890, more than \$1,000,000 was expended in new church edifices in this city. Of this sum \$1,350,000 is credited to the Protestant Episcopal church, \$1,124,000 to the Roman Catholic, \$500,000 to the Presbyterian, \$275,000 to the Methodist, \$250,000 to the Jews, \$50,000 to the Lutheran, \$50,000 to the Baptists and the remainder to the other sects, and this aggregate sum does not include the \$300,000 of the cathedral of St. John the Divine.—New York Press.

#### A Long Hunt.

Jersey Farmer (wondering) has been hunting all day for a patch of weeds without a low penalty sign on it.—New York Weekly.

#### The First Step.

Perhaps you are run down, can't eat, can't sleep, can't think, can't do anything to your satisfaction, and you wonder what ails you. You should heed the warning; you are taking the first step into Nervous Prostration. You need a Nerve Tonic and Electro-Bitters you will find the exact remedy for restoring your nervous system to its normal, healthy condition. Surprising results follow the use of this great Nerve Tonic and Alterative. Your appetite returns, good digestion is restored, and the liver and kidneys resume healthy action. Try a bottle. Price 50c at King & Wood's Drug Store.

#### The Ballot for Women.

[Continued.]  
The Department of C. C. T. U. is receiving renewed attention by the Decatur Union. The last Thursday of each month is set apart for the discussion of woman's suffrage and the means by which to obtain it.

Yesterday the subject was introduced by Mrs. M. Wilson, who read an article entitled, "Woman Suffrage in Wyoming, How It Came and How It Works." The article is published in the *Journal of Commerce*, a new magazine edited by W. V. Head, and a most excellent publication.

"Woman Suffrage in Kansas," from the *Chicago News*, was next given. The writer says: "I find that very few men can be found who oppose the woman's suffrage. Also that woman's suffrage and prohibition will prevail will make of beautiful Kansas one of the most flourishing states in the Union." The reading of this article was followed by a report given by the *Journal of Commerce* of a conference of anti-suffrage Republicans held in Boston previous to the defeat of the suffrage amendment in Massachusetts.

#### U. S. Conscription.

Ballard's Horehound Syrup.  
No single disease has so long and so hard with the human system as whooping cough. It approaches so stealthily. Its early symptoms are cough, cold, and a hoarse voice. It is a disease that is thought of as a cold or hacking cough, and is not recognized as a serious disease until it has become a permanent cure. It is a disease that is thought of as a cold or hacking cough, and is not recognized as a serious disease until it has become a permanent cure. It is a disease that is thought of as a cold or hacking cough, and is not recognized as a serious disease until it has become a permanent cure.

The statistics show that there are now 105,841 Sunday schools in the United States, having 1,120,438 officers and teachers and \$5,088,851 scholars. There is no other country in the world that can present such proofs of success in the work of promoting these admirable agencies of civilization.

#### Bucklin's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, eczema, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay returned. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or your money refunded. Price, 25 cents per box. For sale by King & Wood's Drug Store.

We have in transit 140 "Peddlers' Smokers" bags, same as advertised and sold at 25 cents. Our price will be 15 cents. Also 110 ditto, 1800, same as advertised and sold at 88 cents. Our price will be 65 cents. Also 100 ditto, 1820, same as advertised and sold at 125c. Our price will be 85 cents. Also 100 ditto, 1830, same as advertised and sold at \$2.12. Our price will be \$1.70. Also 100 ditto, 1840, same as advertised and sold at \$3.15. Our price will be \$2.68.

LINN & SCENOGAS.

The leading question now is: "Are you provided with a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, as a safe-guard against any attack of bowel complaint during the summer months?" No family can afford to risk being without this invaluable medicine during the hot weather. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by J. A. Swearingen, druggist.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.

When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.

When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.

When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

Clipped from Canadian Presbyterian under signature of C. Blackett Robinson. Proprietor: "I was cured of re-occurring bilious headaches by Burdock Blood Bitters. The celebrated Centimeter Kid Gloves are better than any \$2 glove in the market—yet our price is only \$1.50. Linn & Scenog.

#### What is Needed.

The great public desire a medicine that is an absolute specific for a cough or cold, that allays inflammation, restores the tone to the system and acts as a tonic and stimulant, while it is harmless and can be given to children with impunity. These qualities are all contained in Reid's German Cough and Kidney Cure. It is composed of simple ingredients, which combined in one preparation form the most efficacious remedy yet tried for coughs, colds and kidney complaints. No one who has ever tried it has ever regretted it. It is an absolute cure for these diseases, as can be proved by the testimony of thousands of reputable witnesses. It is peculiarly efficacious in old age. The dry, wheezing cough, the tightness across the chest, the tendency towards pneumonia, the throat troubles, that are the scourge and affliction of old age are all relieved, and in most cases, cured by the use of Reid's German Cough and Kidney Cure. Many cases that were pronounced incurable, and that manifested unmistakable signs of consumption, have been not only relieved but the patients have been restored to health and were able to resume their occupations, which before taking this great preparation they had been obliged to give up. In this particular Reid's German Cough and Kidney Cure has never been excelled by any similar remedy. People who are racked by a hard, dry cough at night are enabled by the use of Reid's German Cough and Kidney Cure to obtain a most refreshing sleep, and to arise in the morning on the road to recovery, and from a single dose. This is not a solitary instance but in repeated cases. For sale by all druggists.

SYLVAN REMEDY CO.,  
Peoria, Ill.

#### Good News for the Thirsty.

The Decatur Brewing Company will deliver bottled beer to any part of the city in quantities not less than a dozen quarts or a dozen pints at the following prices:

Vacuum, quarts (steamed) 8c per bottle  
Extra Fine, quarts (unsteamed) 7c per bottle  
Order by mail or telephone orders promptly filled. Office 614 East Central street, telephone 84.

#### For One Week.

Wheels at a bargain for the next week at Biocyte Headquarters. Ball-bearing Gypsies, \$50 cash; ball-bearing Wanderers, \$40 cash; others of the same make in proportion, such as are sold in Decatur. Also wheels of other makes at proportionately low figures for one week. Come and see them at Biocyte Headquarters, Nos. 110 and 114 Library Block, William street.

W. W. MOORE, of the Grand Opera House, is an early settler in that part of Iowa, and has had a great deal of experience in his time. He says: "At various times I have had acute attacks of bilious colic and violent pains in the stomach, and found nothing that gave me relief like Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Every person," he says, "should have a bottle." For sale by J. A. Swearingen, druggist.

#### Carpeta.

Carpeta, Wall Paper and Matting. All in new style and cheap in price at Allen's Carpet House.

We guarantee our Race Coal Spring Vehicles to be the easiest riding made in the world. If after six weeks trial the Race Coal Spring is not found to be the easiest riding spring you ever used, we will exchange for any other style.

THE SPENCER & LATHAM CO.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

## HIBBARD'S HERB EXTRACT

Cured me after my noon, upper lip, roof of my mouth and palate were entirely consumed by a

BLOOD DISEASE.

Extracts from HOME TESTIMONIALS; SEND FOR THE

CATARRH I present your HERB EXTRACT for Catarrh. The cure it effected in my case is wonderful. I have been suffering from Catarrh of the throat for years. I have tried every remedy known to me, but nothing has done me any good. I have been told that Catarrh of the throat is a dangerous disease, and I have been told that it is incurable. I have been told that it is a disease that will destroy the voice, and I have been told that it is a disease that will destroy the life. I have been told that it is a disease that will destroy the heart, and I have been told that it is a disease that will destroy the lungs. I have been told that it is a disease that will destroy the stomach, and I have been told that it is a disease that will destroy the bowels. I have been told that it is a disease that will destroy the kidneys, and I have been told that it is a disease that will destroy the bladder. 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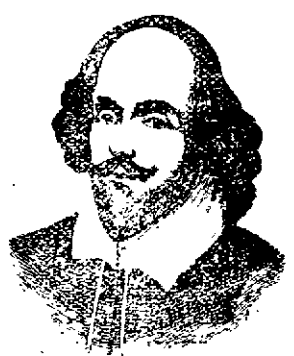


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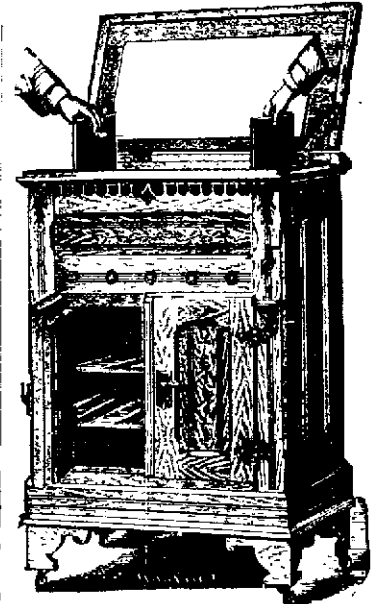
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Best in the World.  
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# NEW WHEAT!

We offer the following prizes for the Best and Second Best Bushel of 1890 Wheat, same to be delivered at our office on or before August first:

**ONE BBL. WHITE LOAF For Best.**  
**ONE BBL. DAILY BREAD For Second Best.**

NOTICE.—The Wheat entered for competition to be retained by us, but we agree to give in return a 25 lb. sack of DAILY BREAD Flour for each bushel of Wheat entered.

**SHELLABARGER MILL AND ELEVATOR CO.**

**1890-1855-35**

Smoked Beef Tongues.  
Boneless Ham.  
DRIED BEEF.  
Boneless Breakfast Bacon.  
New Sugar Cured Hams.

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**JOHN G. CLOYD,**  
**Grocer,**  
144 EAST MAIN ST.  
Stock Complete.  
PRICES LOW.  
Special attention given to High Grade  
**TEAS AND COFFEES.**  
TELEPHONE NO. 33.

**ANNOUNCEMENT.**  
We are authorized to announce GEORGE W. KIRBY, of Rice-Mound township, as a candidate for Sheriff, subject to the action of the Republican county convention.

**SATURDAY EVE., JUNE 28, 1890.**

## LOCAL NEWS.

EVERYBODY should have a Rose Bowl. You will find them at  
**E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & CO.**  
Smoke the "Gem."  
OSBORNE makes the Little Corporal.  
It is boss—the Little Corporal cigar.  
Once more peace reigns supreme over the Illinois Central road.  
FAMILY Bibles, reduced rates, at West's Book Store.  
Smoke the "Gem."  
The new Macedonia Baptist church will be dedicated on the first Sunday in July.

The Grand Opera House organ, made by Kook & Weigand, arrives here in town—**monday 25th.**

Mr. WILSON, the principal of the Marietta street school, is engaged in taking the school census of Decatur, and will finish his work in July.

PERITS desiring to continue music lessons this summer under my instructions, please call at 123 W. Wood street. **N. ALLEN RACOLLE.** June 27-dit

The Rev. O. S. Jacobs, presiding elder of the Iowa conference, will preach at the A. M. E. church, to-morrow evening at 7:30.

For as ever. The Saxton & Andrews thermometer registration to-day was: 7 a. m., 93; 8 a. m., 87; 9 a. m., 90; 10 a. m., 91; 11 a. m., 90; 12 noon, 97; 1 p. m., 96.

You should call on Hunka & Paterson's grocery store when in quest of first-class table supplies.

The resignation of Elder Robinson as pastor of the Christian church at Maroa has been accepted, and the Elder and his family have gone to Mt. Pulaski to reside.

Give the White Loaf and Daily Bread flour a trial. None better on sale.

The Zouaves have received a renewal of their permit to parade and drill with rifles. The order was signed by Adj. Gen. Vance.

OWN the popular White Foam flour and you will have excellent bread.

THE piano you want is the Everett Player or Sterling, on sale only at C. B. Friesen's old established music store.

THE Presbyterian excursion party arrived home safely last night from Springfield, where the larger section of the party attended the B. Fay Mills meeting. Coming home the train ran the distance of 39 miles in 42 minutes. Not a stop was made after leaving Springfield, except for one railroad crossing.

E. L. MARTIN, the live coal dealer, is taking possession to-day of his new office on North Main street.

CALL at Den Chamberline's photography gallery. He will give you perfect pictures.

FRED O. JONES, the painter and comedian, while working for Juents in the East Park Boulevard addition yesterday afternoon had a fall of 30 feet to the ground from a ladder and sprained his right ankle severely. The ladder was leaning against a chimney; the brick gave way and Fred went to the ground. He is just able to limp about.

OUR line of ladies' seal and once leathers in pocket books and card cases is the handsomest you ever saw.

OTTO E. CURTIS & BRO.

ALL the school children are invited to go to Oakland Park Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock to meet Prof. Westhoff and practice for the 14th the songs they sang so well on decoration day. All are cordially invited to attend the celebration of July 4 at Oakland Park, under the auspices of the Decatur W. C. T. U. The exercises commence at 2 o'clock.

SMOKE the "Gem."

Twenty-eight cities in this country have in the last ten years gained as many in population as the total population of the United States was at the close of the Revolutionary war.

Good country butter and early vegetables every day at J. Lytle & Co's grocery store.

The two passenger trains from St. Louis were delayed several hours last night near the St. Louis bridge by a freight train which had burned out a journal in one of the cars. The car was thrown from the track and then everything moved on. The car was loaded with corn and this morning it was picked up and brought to the city.

MANAGER MARTIN had the Short Line cars out last evening to give the band and some of Vets a free ride in honor of the victory at Jacksonville. Through a mistake it was incorrectly announced that the boys would not come home until Saturday evening, and consequently many people who had intended to meet the band at the depot did not go down on the cars. Had the time of arrival been correctly understood the street cars would have been crowded both ways. The Grand Army committee, headed by Captain I. N. Martin, regret the misunderstanding, which tended to decrease the Short Line receipts. Manager Martin had his cars at the depot on time, and brought the band and Sons to the city.

CURE for COUGHS.—Use Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil according to directions. It is the best remedy for all sudden attacks of colds, pain and inflammation, and injuries.

**DISTRICT MESSENGER SERVICE.**  
Prompt service. Telephone 446; office at bicycle school. Accounts collected. **J. D. STRINE, Manager.**

## Proposition to Erect a Huge Public Meeting House.

It was semi-officially stated on the streets last evening that Decatur parties had about arranged for the immediate erection of a huge Auditorium Building, 80x152 in size, with a seating capacity of 5000 to 7000 people, with a special view of furnishing ample accommodations for the Illinois Department meeting of the Grand Army of the Republic, which is to celebrate the silver anniversary of the birth of the order in Decatur in 1891. Our informant stated that the scheme was to put the building on the Henry Lyon lot on West William street, and that John R. Miller and others, if proper arrangements could be made, would furnish the money for the monster Auditorium. It is known that such a movement has been on foot for some months, but until last night no positive declaration was made as to the elimination of the commendable project. Such a building for the Grand Army meeting is badly needed.

This morning the REPUBLICAN reporter interviewed Mr. Lyon on the important subject, but he stated that he knew nothing whatever about the project. He had talked about it to certain parties, and once made a proposition, but that was so long ago that he didn't consider his offer binding now. Mr. Miller could not be found.

**This Is Final.**  
County Treasurer Steele authorizes the REPUBLICAN to state that on Monday, July 30th, at 10 a. m., he will close out the last piece of land or lot on the books for delinquent taxes. Every piece will be sold without reservation and the books will be closed.

Is a letter received this morning by General Secretary Whitney, of the Y. M. C. A., State Superintendent Edwards, who was to speak to men to-morrow on "Some of the dangers to young men incident to this age along social and educational lines," writes: "My physician forbids my going to Decatur next Sabbath. I am at your service on any subsequent Sabbath." The address to-morrow will be given by Rev. M. M. Goodwin, rector of St. John's Episcopal church, at the Bicycle rooms, Library Block.

## LIGHTNING AND RAIN.

A Shake-up All Over Town—Damage up but no Fatalities.

The intense heat of the past eight days culminated last evening in one of the most vicious electrical disturbances Decatur people have experienced for many a day, and the storm raged in a way that frightened nervous people and shook up the town generally. The lightning was strikingly vivid and sharp and the thunder was terrific. Rain fell in torrents for a while, flooding the streets and cooling the atmosphere very agreeably; but the lightning was the boss of the display and kept at it steadily until the moon and stars appeared.

During the evening lightning struck the shoe factory at the corner of East Eldorado and Chisholm streets and did damage to the extent of \$25, chiefly to the window frames. The home of Ald. K. Harwood, at the corner of Morgan and Eldorado streets, was struck at the chimney and the course was direct to the basement. The house was shaken from end to end, and Mrs. Harwood was so completely prostrated that Dr. W. J. Clemen was summoned to calm her by administering restoratives. The roof, chimney, plastering and closets were damaged to some extent, but there was no fire. Lightning interfered materially with the gas company plant and the street railway. The Citizens' cars were stopped at intervals, but the Short Line cars were not run during the violent part of the storm.

The storm came up from the south and north and passed over to the east.

'Tired humanity had a good sleep last night, and to-day Old Sol resumed business as usual, putting the temperature up to a high notch.

**CORN DOWNS.**

Farmers from Mt. Zion and Maroa townships report that the wind of last night's storm blew the corn flat in many fields. The corn is shoulder high, first planting.

Train Union camp meeting, managed by Rev. Sims, will begin at Oakland Park on July 10th, and continue 10 days. Rev. J. B. Rich, the silver-tongued orator of the south, will be one of the preachers. Prof. J. T. Gilmore, of Ohio, will lead the singing. Ten cents will be charged at the gate.

CHEAP calico will not wash, but Cole's Calico will. It relieves, preserves and beautifies the complexion, removes pimples and other blemishes, cures redness and other irritations and soothingly leads all open sores.

It is denied by Postmaster Jack that the government will redeem postage stamps that are stuck together by the heat. Certain stamps are redeemable. The postmaster is ready to give information officially.

**Our Carpets are for Sale.**

We have so advertised them, and want you to say. Come, buy them, and tell your friends to buy them, with the assurance that they will be necessary; and with the still further assurance that there will be no baby-cut performances. **LYTLE & ECKELS.** June 27-dit

**TEX Bicycles Shop will make you low figures on vehicle work** **april 16-dit**

CANKER in the month can be cured only by expelling the poisonous humor from the system. To do this effectively requires the persistent use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, together with a good, generous diet. One dollar a bottle. Six bottles for \$5. Begin at once.

**Given Away.**

At "The Style" Millinery Store, 721 N. Water street, every 20th purchase will be given to the purchaser, whether it is 25 cents' worth of ribbon or a \$10.00 hat. **June 26-dit**

Since the summer season opened E. A. West has sold 55 of his hammocks. They are a splendid grade and cheap at \$1.

On July 4th there will be a basket picnic at Oakland Park under the auspices of the Decatur W. C. T. U. Address by Elder Hawes; good music. All are cordially invited to come and spend the day with us.

Take a good look, with a keen, sharp eye, at our dress goods, silks, fine embroidered black silk lace, underwear, white dress goods, table linens, homery, gloves, corsets, and general merchandise and you will quickly discern where a certain class of merchants make their money. **Lynn & Scruggs.**

Gen. John M. Palmer, who is going about town in his own horn for the Senatorial nomination, was in Decatur last night on his way home from Bethany, where he delivered a self-laudatory speech at the Catholic picnic. John L. Pickering, who goes about puffing the General in Democratic newspapers, was at the picnic and so was the versatile Review editor, who took his cue from Pickering and sang the same song in his hand organ to-day which Pickering telegraphed to the St. Louis and Chicago Bourbon papers. It's a cold day when Pickering fails to work the Palmer boom for anything the old man may want, but there is always one serious hitch in the plan—the people do not rally to his support at the polls. They seem to prefer to have the old man remain in private life. The General aired himself to the full bent of his pleasure at the picnic and Ed S. Wilson, the Democratic nominee for State Treasurer was there. He spoke on the tariff question in a manner that was approved by Palmer and Pickering and the Review man. The crowd was rather small for a picnic that had been advertised by whole sheet posters to occur in a Democratic section, while the temperature was so high that everybody who was not put into a trance by the flow of Democratic oratory wished he had remained at home. It was a Democratic political picnic but it was a fizzle.

**Vesper Services.**  
Rev. W. H. Penhalligon has decided to have brief vesper services take the place of the usual Sunday evening service at the opera house during the hot weather. The exercises will consist very largely of music and services in unison. The choir has been reorganized under the leadership of Miss Anna Griswold, recently returned from Richmond, Va. The other members of the quartette are Mrs. O. F. Spaulding and Messrs. Alexander and Templeton.

**Strike Settled.**  
The trains are again running on the Illinois Central railroad and every wheel is in motion. The company has agreed to curtail the powers of Division Superintendent Russell in the handling of men. Russell will not be discharged. The men did not get what they demanded, but they were satisfied in clipping the wings of the obnoxious official who in future will not flourish as dictator.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

V. G. Hatch is convalescent.

Miss Nellie Bunn has returned from Lincoln.

Miss Eugenia Harris returned this morning to Macon.

Mrs. Latham, daughter of Mrs. N. E. Potts, is slowly improving.

G. C. Carroll, of Springfield, is in the city visiting Miss Ethel Potts.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bower, at 649 West North street, on June 28, a son.

Robert Oglesby and Parke Hammer attended the lawn tennis party at Macon last evening.

Rev. Frank Crane, of Urbana, has arrived in the city. He will be the guest of Dr. E. W. Moore while here.

Max Westermann, of Lincoln, Neb., is in the city visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. Westermann.

Mrs. C. C. Stoddard will depart to-morrow evening for Sandusky, Ohio, where she will visit relatives.

Mrs. Sarah Hill of Prairie Avenue, is somewhat better to-day. She was overcome by the heat on Thursday.

Mrs. I. H. Buchanan, of Duncan Falls, Ohio, is expected to arrive here Monday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Shupp.

Master Lennie Cassell and his cousin, Hattie Andrews, have gone to Nantico to visit for a few days with their grandpa, John Cassell.

O. A. Shanley, of Oregona, who is a student at the Decatur Business College, left for his home to-day to remain over Sunday.

Miss Ella Stanford will arrive home Sunday morning from Harvard College. This is the second year for Miss Ella at Harvard.

Rev. Peter Wallace, of Clinton, was in Decatur to-day on his way to Macon, where he will occupy the Methodist church on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bradley departed this noon for the Thousand Islands on the St. Lawrence river, where they will spend the summer months.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. McWhorter and two children, of Lincoln, Neb., are in the city visiting relatives. Mrs. McWhorter was formerly Miss Dolly Milbain, of this city.

Miss Maude Calhoun returned home this morning from Chicago. She was detained at Clinton two days because of the strike on the Central road. No train home.

Misses Mary and Marguerite Bobbitt arrived in Decatur to-day from Chicago. They will make this city their home, residing with their parents on North Main street.

Mrs. S. M. Lutz and little daughter, accompanied by Mrs. E. B. Randle and children, of Paris, departed last evening for Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where they will visit Dr. W. Stookey, a brother of the ladies.

Winthrop E. Gastman graduated as a mechanical and electrical engineer at Michigan University at Ann Arbor, on Thursday last. He arrived home last evening, and will spend some weeks in Decatur.

A. G. Vise, a former salesman at Lynn & Scruggs' store, is hopelessly ill with consumption at his home on North Main street. His wife died of consumption not long since, and he has two small children who will soon be orphans.

Jacob Hanes, of Hickory township, who has been serving all week as a petit juror in the United States court at Springfield, arrived in the city last evening. Daniel Patterson is his associate on the jury. He will return to the capital next week.

Fred Mueller, left this morning for Pana, where he will boom the 4th of July trade of fireworks for H. Mueller & Son. He is a dealer in fireworks much larger than that of last year, and adds that he is prepared to sell as cheap as any of them.

Charles Barnes, clerk in the office of the auditor of the T. P. & W., at Peoria, who has been visiting his parents, Capt. and Mrs. J. A. Barnes, left last evening for Kansas City and other points, including Omaha and Denver. He was accompanied by his sister, Miss Maud, of this city.

Misses Hattie H. and Maggie Corbin and Laura and Ben Seibel, of Bloomington, arrived in the city this morning and are guests of Miss Bertha Harpette, of West Main street. Miss Harpette will give a picnic in honor of her guests Monday evening at the Fair grounds.

Rev. Charles S. Jacobs, presiding elder of the Iowa conference, arrived in the city last night to visit his sister, Mrs. David Fields, who is seriously ill. He was formerly a Decatur pastor and is well known as an earnest minister. He will remain here until Monday.

# UNPRECEDENTED BARGAINS!

In view of the Changes following the Incorporation of the Firm of

# LYNN & SCRUGGS,

Prices will be Greatly Reduced on Dry Goods, Carpets, Curtains, Wall Paper, Matting, Rugs and Remnants.

Persons wishing to Save Money will find it Greatly to their Advantage to Examine our Immense Stock of  
**Dress Goods, Parasols, Underwear, Hosiery, Gloves, Corsets, Black Silk Lace Flouncings and Lace Nets.**

# CARPETS.

Let it be borne in mind that we buy of Manufacturers and Importers and not of Retailers, and are therefore prepared to offer goods at the following prices:

**HARTFORD BEST INGRAIN, Latest Patterns, 51c.**  
**LOWELL BEST INGRAIN, Latest Patterns, 55c.**  
**"ROXBURY" TAPESTRY, Latest Patterns, 70c.**  
**BROMLEY'S BODY BRUSSELS, New Patterns, 90c.**  
**LOWELL BODY BRUSSELS, New Patterns, \$1.05.**

**AT \$1.20.**  
500 yards black all Silk Flouncing and Drapery Net, actual value \$2.00, closing out sale price, \$1.20.

**AT 50c.**  
50 doz. Ladies' Blouse Waists, good quality striped Outing Flannel, closing out at 50c—former price, \$1.00.

**AT \$2.00.**  
300 Fancy Parasols, in all Silk and Lace Trimmed Satin, worth \$3.50 to \$5.00. Sale price, \$2.00.

**AT 41c.**  
25 pieces all pure Silk Black Surah, special value for this sale at 41c.

**AT 25c.**  
200 Boys' Shirt Waists made of Indigo Blue Percale and Striped Cheviot at 25c, well worth 40c.

**AT 25c.**  
100 dozen Black Little Thread Ladies' Hose, regular price 50c. Will close the lot at 25c a pair.

**AT 9c.**  
2,000 yards Plain and Plain India Linen, worth 15c to 20c per yard. Sale price 9c.

**AT 8c.**  
5,000 yards fine quality Figured Satens, will be closed out at 8c.

**AT 9c.**  
10 pieces full yard wide figured Challies, handsome patterns, at 9c—worth 15c.

**AT 35c.**  
100 dozen Gents' Giza Undershirts, goods, at 35c, or three for \$1.00—worth 50c each.

**AT 25c.**  
100 dozen Ladies' Black Pure Silk Jersey Mitts, superior quality, at 25c—worth 40c.

**AT 48c.**  
1,000 Corset's bought as a bargain will be closed out at 48c—worth 75c.

**AT 38c.**  
1,000 pieces Mosquito Bars, in all colors at the low price of 38c a piece, yards.

**AT \$3.00.**  
100 pairs Brussels Net Curtains, 60 inches wide, value \$5.00, sale price \$3.00.

**AT 75c.**  
350 White Crochet Bed Quilts, actual value, \$1.00, sale price, 75c.



# SPECIAL GRAND REDUCTION SALE

French Pattern Dresses, Novelty Dress Goods, French Henriettas, Mohairs, Brilliantines and French Challies.

# LYNN & SCRUGGS,

Agents Butterick's Patterns and Hercules White Shirts.

Price of "DELINEATOR" at our Counter, 10c; by Mail, 13c.

ORDERS FROM A DISTANCE RECEIVE PROMPT AND CAREFUL ATTENTION

The Springfield excursionists had rather an exciting ride home last evening. The train left Springfield at 7:30 with each car full. The engineer ran the train at a very high rate of speed, making all the curves with a dash that unseated many of the passengers. Some of the passengers were very much frightened, in one case they were so scared that they held prayer meeting.

Our carpets are cheap as you will perceive, BY COMPARING PRICES with other quotations published in the papers. But THE RELATIVE VALUES of our dress goods, black silk lace flouncings, hosiery, gloves, underwear, while goods, and linens are even greater in our favor than that which exists in the prices of our carpets. **LYNN & SCRUGGS.**

## PERSONAL MENTION.

W. T. Lytle, of the T. H. & P., is in Fremont, Ohio.

Oscar Mueller is clerking in H. Mueller & Son's Merchant street store.

Will M. Lewis, of the real estate firm of Lewis & Hankins, returned last evening from Bloomington and Normal.

Mr. Eli Cramer recently gave a grand ice cream supper in honor of his father, Mr. Daniel Cramer, of Shelbyville, at 358 South Broadway.

Rev. and Mrs. Chas. G. Gies, of Philadelphia, Pa., are in the city visiting Mr. Gies' sister, Mrs. Caroline M. Powers and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mills departed this noon for Chicago, where they will visit for a week, before proceeding to Clairmont, Mich., to spend the summer months.

Rev. Sophie Gibb, of the Universalist church, has been voted a vacation for the summer and will leave next week for Niagara Falls and New York State. She will be absent six weeks.

Rev. and Mrs. W. Trueblood arrived in the city last night from Pittsburg, Pa., and were given an informal welcome home reception at their residence No. 537 Central Avenue.

# HOT \* WEATHER \* SALE!

Men's Base Ball or Canvas Shoes,  
**60c.**  
Men's all Calf Trimmed Canvas Solid Shoes,  
**80c.**  
Ladies' Kid Turned Newports,  
**75c.**

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